

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 169

By Howell

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Marjorie Estell Johnson on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Marjorie Estell Johnson is celebrating her 100th birthday on February 13, 2019, a milestone commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, born on February 13, 1919, Margie Johnson married Ernest A. "EA" Johnson on January 5, 1937; and

WHEREAS, she is the mother of three daughters, grandmother of six, great-grandmother of ten, and great-great-grandmother of four; and

WHEREAS, at the age of nine, Marjorie Johnson started making quilts by hand, and she continued to do so until 2011; she has volunteered her passion and quilting skills to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and has also served children from oncology centers who attended Fun Day at Camp Agape; and

WHEREAS, known as the "Band Granny" to many children in the Polk County community, she became a member of the Polk County High School Band Boosters in 1989 and served as a proud member of the Wildcat Band for sixteen years; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Marjorie Johnson is the oldest living member of Zion Baptist Church, which she attends regularly; and

WHEREAS, as Marjorie Johnson enters her eleventh decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as her health permits; she continues to support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and she proudly exercises her right to vote; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Marjorie Estell Johnson on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for many happy returns of the day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.